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The Kent News.

SATURDAY - - - - - - DEC. 22, 1877

THE Maryland Legislature will convene on Wednesday, January 2d.

THE California Legislature on Tuesday elected J. T. Farley (dem.) United States Senator by a strict party vote.

THE latest war news is to the effect that the Russians have commenced a general forward movement against the Turkish lines.

MR. RICHARD H. SNOWDEN, conveyancer, of Baltimore, accidently shot himself with a pistol Saturday morning, about 10 o'clock, and died from the wound the same afternoon.

THE twelve years' feud between Senators Blaine and Conkling ended with the display of the former's generosity toward the latter in the Senate last week in his speech against the President's New York nominations. Mr. Conkling has buried the hatchet. "Anything to beat Hayes."

THE committee of Baltimoreans that visited Washington last week in the interest of a new postoffice building in the former city met with considerable encouragement, and it is believed that an appropriation for the purpose will be made during the present session of Congress.

THE President sent to the Senate Saturday the nomination of Richard C. McCormick, of Arizona, to be commissioner general to represent the United States at the international industrial exposition to be held in Paris, 1878. The nomination was confirmed in executive session.

THE difficulty which occurred in the United States Senate on Friday of last week between Messrs. Gordon and Conkling was amicably adjusted the next day by the timely interposition of mutual friends. By the terms of settlement they are hercafter to be on as good terms as heretofore, which, it is said, were not very friendly.

A LATE ENCOUNTER in El Paso has culminated in the surrender of the small force of United States troops at San Elizario to the Mexican outlaws. Two of the captives were shot by the Mexicans. Several on both sides had been previously killed. United States troops are moving to the scene. The ammunition of the Texas troops was exhausted.

TAXATION OF MORTGAGES.—The Cambridge *Chronicle*, whose editor, Col. Sulivane, is a member of the Senate, earnestly advocates the taxation of mortgages, and says: "We consider the evil (of this exemption) so great, the injustice so crying, that we would not hesitate to subordinate every other issue to its overthrow, *even if need is by a change of political powers in the State.*" The Baltimore *Sun* puts in the old claim that the taxation of mortgages is a double tax upon land, and so the fight is already begun, and we may expect heated arguments pro and con, and no little "bull-dozing" before the Legislature can get rid of the subject for another two years.

A FIGHT is now on the tapis for the place of Surveyor of the port of Baltimore. It is now held by Colonel Gilpin, of Allegany county, whose term has almost expired. His friends urge his retention, whom, they say, is an excellent offices in every respect. Colonel G. W. F. Vernon, of Frederick county, is also an applicant for the position, and is principally backed by the local republican influence in the vicinity of Frederick.

DR. NINIAN PINKNEY, a retired surgeon of the United States navy, died at his country seat, near Easton, Talbot county, Md., last Saturday. He entered the service in 1834, and was retired with the relative rank of commodore in 1865. During his service he was held in high consideration at the Navy Department because of his acknowledged skill in his profession, and also because of his extensive research as to the proper constitution of the medical service in the navy.

THE administration at Washington has taken into serious consideration the grievances of the Chinese in California. Should necessity demand it the naval forces at San Francisco will assist the local authorities in preventing a recurrence of serious trouble. The views of some of the cabinet are favorable to a modification of the treaty with China in order to limit the importation of the Chinese.

THE naval court of inquiry into the Huron disaster, in their report to the Secretary of the Navy, find that Commander Ryan, who lost his life in the ill-fated vessel, was primarily responsible for the disaster; that Lieut. Palmer, the navigating officer, who was also a victim, made errors in navigation, and that the deck officers might have been at fault in not ascertaining the accuracy of the soundings.

A COLORED LAWYER BARRED OUT.—Charles Taylor, a colored lawyer from Massachusetts, who was admitted to the bar of the United States Court in Baltimore recently, was on Wednesday refused admission to the bar of the Court of Appeals of Maryland. He has had a lawyer's office in Baltimore some months, but has not been admitted to practice in any of the State courts in Baltimore. There are two colored lawyers in the city.—*Baltimore Sun.*

GOV. COCHRAN, of Delaware, has offered $200 reward for the apprehension of Frank Thomas, the negro who committed the assault upon Constable Townsend, near Middletown, a few weeks ago.

A CINCINNATI dispatch states that developments of the past few days point pretty decidedly to Hon. Geo. H. Pendleton as the coming man for the United States Senate from Ohio.

☞ Subscribers who will change their post-office address on the first of January will please inform us of the fact, that there may be no omission in the receipt of the paper.

ORPHANS' COURT, Tuesday, Dec. 18.—Present, Judges Nicholson, Shallcross and Willson. Mary A. Wilmer, executrix of Wm. B. Wilmer, received an order for the sale of the personal estate of said deceased. Joshua Vansant and Wm. Vansant, adm'rs of Fredus Vansant, returned a list of additional sales of personal estate of said dec'd; also, their final administration account. Rich'd Hynson, exec'r of R. S. Thomas, returned his second administration account. Henry Graves, adm'r of Wm. Graves (colored) returned his first and final administration account. Ordered, that Joshua Vansant and Wm. Vansant, adm'rs of Fredus Vansant, give notice by advertisement to creditors that a dividend on the personal estate will be made on Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1878. S. H. Betton, guardian to E. L. Betton, was authorized to invest certain money in his hands belonging to said minor. Letters testamentary on the personal estate of Thomas J. Butler, col'd, were granted unto James H. Baker. The court adjourned to Tuesday, Jan. 8, 1878.

LECTURES, FESTIVALS, &c.—Rev. T. W. Brown will lecture in the M. E. Church South at Chestertville on Wednesday evening next on Washington and Alexander, and the Rev. J. H. Caldwell on Father Marquet, at Salem M. E. Church, on the same evening. The well known ability of the lecturers and their interesting subjects should draw full houses.

The ladies of Millington circuit will hold a Festival in the M. E. Church at Millington on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings next, for the benefit of the parsonage. All the delicacies of the season will be furnished at very moderate prices.

Wesley Chapel Sabbath School will give an entertainment at the Church, near Edesville, on Thursday evening next, consisting of music, dialogues, declamations, &c. It will no doubt be a delightful affair, and should be well patronized.

The Catholics of Chestertown and vicinity will commeuce a Fair in the Town Hall on Wednesday next, to be continued until New-Year's night. A number of valuable articles will be disposed of at chances. It will no doubt be largely attended, as their fairs always are.

A raffle for a fine light carriage and gold watch and chain will take place at Penington's Hotel, Kennedyville, on Christmas eve. The throwers of "high (and low) dice" will of course be out in force.

To Our Patrons.—A number of those in arrears for subscription and advertising have responded to our notice of last week, but a much larger number have failed to do so. One week more remains to close up these arrearges and save the fifty cents to be added to subscriptions after the first of January.

TO OUR TOWN PATRONS.—We expect to have our usual annual settlement with all our town patrons during the coming week, and hope they will be prepared when called upon for that purpose.

THE TRAMP CONVENTION.—The State convention to abolish, if possible, the tramp grievance, and to take into consideration other reformatory measures, held its session in Baltimore on Thursday and Friday, but at the time of going to press we have no report of its proceedings. This county was represented by an able delegation, consisting of Messrs. James A. Pearce, H. W. Vickers, Geo. W. T. Perkins, and perhaps other gentlemen of the number appointed by the County Commissioners. We trust their deliberations may result in the adoption of measures that will rid our people of the insufferable nuisance which they have been compelled to endure for several years.

THE CONCERT AND SUPPER AT MASSEYS.—We are gratified to learn that the concert and supper at Masseys on Thursday of last week, for the benefit of the Episcopal Church, was a very delightful and successful affair. After the concert, during which both the vocal and instrumental music was warmly applauded, the well lighted rooms of the large hotel were filled with vistors, who enjoyed an excellent supper, provided by the ladies, and the evening's entertainment closed by a brisk contest between Captain Bean, of Massey's and Dr. Wright, of Warwick for a handsome set of harness, Captain Bean coming out winner by about one hundred and ten dollars to Dr. Wright's thirty-six.

APPOINTMENT OF CONSTABLES.—The County Commissioners on Tuesday appointed Constables as follows: First district—George W. Jacoby, Joseph G. Smith. Second district—C. W. Warren. Third district—Calvin E. Allen. Fourth district—John N. Dodd, James A. Russell. No appointments were made for the fifth district, Mr. Strong, the Commissioner, not being present, and a vacancy was left in the 2d and 3d districts.

ACCIDENT.—A German residing with Mr. Wm. J. Vannort, in Broad Neck, while rising from his pillow, on Tuesday morning last, received a ball in the head from the accidental discharge of his pistol. The ball entered his temple. Doctors Price and Perkins were summoned to his aid, but were unable to extract the ball.

ARREST OF ANOTHER DREDGER.—Captain Clements, of the sloop Mary Compton, on Tuesday arrested Capt. Hodges for illegal dredging, after pursuing him from Swan Point bar into Rock Creek. He was committed to our county jail by Esquire Calder.

S. M. REYNOLDS, Middletown, Del., is reported to have secured a large trade from the citizens of the upper part of Kent county, and is now recognized as among the leading merchants on the Peninsula. Indeed we question whether he is not AHEAD. He keeps an immense stock of all kinds of goods—sells at the lowest prices—is accommodating and perfectly correct and honorable in all his business dealings. We call the special attention of our readers to his column in this week's issue.

A. W. QUIGG, son of Rev. J. B. Quigg, well known in this county, is engaged in the Stove business in Wilmington, Del. We believe him to be a reliable young business man. He advertises in another column to sell Stoves, &c., at a saving of 20 per cent.

Millington Hogs.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—I see in the News of last week the weight of eight hogs slaughtered on Mill street, Chestertown, by four owners, of 3,155½ lbs. We can nearly equal this by two owners on one street in Millington, with the same number of hogs, viz: Five hogs by J. W. Jarman at 1,778 lbs., and three hogs by S. L. Blackiston at 1,231 lbs., making 3,019 lbs. Boss Blackiston was beaten this year by Dr. E. G. Clark with one hog, which weighed 461 lbs.; and he was beaten by G. H. Staats with one hog weighing 501½ lbs. There has been 150 hogs slaughtered in this town the present season, weighing in the aggregate 42,571 lbs, an average weight of 283 4-5 lbs. If any town of the same size can beat this we will be glad to hear from it.
Yours, &c., T.

Kent Co. Agricultural Association.

CLUB ROOM, Dec. 17, 1877.

The weather is fine, but the attendance is not large to-day. The regular question for the day was taken up and discussed. The question for next Monday is one of importance to all. Mr. A. L. Corey is to open the subject. We may expect a good time; Al's head is level. We hope to have a lively time this winter if the members and visitors will encourage us with their presence.—Our sessions are pleasant and instructive.

The new cottage is nearly finished; the committee have not rented it yet. We are still receiving members at two dollars, but after Jan. 1 the initiation fee will be five dollars.

The association is making arrangements and intends to have a large and attractive auction sale on the first Monday in March, consisting of all kinds of stock and a general assortment of different things. We will receive articles from persons not members of the association for the sale. M.

WATERS & SONS' ORGANS AND PIANOS are first class and durable, and lower in price than any other reliable make.—☞ Don't buy any low price inferior make which will be a source of regret and annoyance all your life. See advertisement. Address WM. K. JUDEFIND, Agt. 2*

Lynch's and Vicinity.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Your pruning knife took all the "racket" from our last letter, but we have no complaints to pour into your ears. Your generosity with our scribbles is gratefully confessed.

We regret to record the removal of William E. Perkins from the Railroad and Express agency at Lynch's. An obliging disposition, education and promptness well qualified this gentleman for the post he held so long, and we fear misrepresentations have been made in order to secure his dismissal. Wm. Hepbron has been appointed in his place.

The annual hog squealing is about over, and there appears to be more than the ordinary supply of pork.

A mite society member made the following report: "I got some money and some sauce."

It is said that a preacher recently, on leaving his appointment, burned up all his old clothes, and on being asked why he done so replied: "No one is worthy to wear my old clothes." Poor fellow.

An amusing scene occurred on one of our bay steamers. A dispute arose between B. and C.—C. was a preacher. B. told C. that if he would come up on the hurricane deck he (B.) would spread the Gospel.

Thanksgiving day did not develop much of that old-fashioned sociability which distinguished the Eastern Shore in past years. We know of but few neighborly invitations to partake of the turkey. The day itself was drizzly and dark, which may account some for the lack of jollity.

The hammer, symbol of all building, is still heard in every direction.

Christmas festivities are hard by, and it is hoped the deserving poor will not be passed by. That you and all the readers of THE NEWS may enjoy a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New-Year, is the sincere wish of
SENTINEL.

Letter to the Kent News.

FAIRLEE, Dec. 20, 1877.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—"Merry Christmas" draweth near, and here as elsewhere "Young America" is, as usual, all agog. Whether the fabulous old jollyfier Santa Claus can afford to be as lavish of his favors as in days of yore, is a problem which can only be solved by the juveniles on the 25th of December. It is a good time to remember the poor—a bag of corn, a bushel of meal, or a chunk of pork would carry joy to many a heart.

There has been during the past ten days a great deal of travel to and from the city. It was very unfortunate that both the S. K. Taggart and the Mystic should have broken down when their service was most needed both for freight and passage. However, the staunch old favorite, the Trumpeter, proved herself equal to the emergency, so far as this part of the county is concerned. How it fared about Grey's Inn is not known; we only know of one case, in which a lady sent to the wharf of the Mystic to meet her liege lord's expected return, and of the hours of patient waiting of that messenger and team, while the said husband was making his way home via Buck Neck, Fairlee, Strong's Corner, &c. However, "all's well that ends well." I believe the team has returned.

Now having told you what has been, let me post you as to what is to be. On the evening of Dec. 26, the day after Christmas, Rev. Mr. Caldwell, of Dover, a divine well and favorably known throughout our county, is engaged to lecture in the M. E. Church in our village. Under favorable circumstances as to weather and pocket money, a crowded house may be anticipated. The subject will be the explorations of Marquet and the early history of the Mississippi Valley. [Your readers will please notice the adv. in your columns.] The immediate object of the lecture will be to meet an obligation of Salem Church for a new organ.

Worton is to have a sensation on the evening of the 21st in the celebration of a silver wedding. No doubt a goodly array of gallantry and fashion will congregate to do honor to our old friends, G. R. B. and wife, on the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage. Your correspondent would report proceedings, only that his horse is too lame to reach the festive scene.

Some changes will take place in our village at the commencement of the New-Year which, if of sufficient interest, may find their way into your columns. Geo. H. Thompson, delegate elect to the General Assembly, has, I have upon good authority, bought the old Sinton property at Denbeigh. George will soon change the appearance of the old place. SIMON SHARP.

Letter from River View.

There is no vocation in life that is attended with less care and anxiety than that of the farmer. The farmer, if he works and makes all about him do the same, can be independent, prosperous and happy. The farmer should carefully study every branch of agriculture, and apply himself to his work. With the professional man there is physical toil and mental anxiety by day and by night, but with the farmer his days' work is followed by nights of refreshing sleep. Who would not be farmers?

LOCAL OPTION.

The subject of Local Option is agitating the minds of our people at present. It is right and proper that Christian people should be interested in the subject of temperance, but they ought not to be fanatical. The majority of the Christian community are honest in this matter, and they must and will be respected. Our representatives will get a bill passed this winter giving the people of this county the right to vote on local option early next spring. If it is carried there will be no more liquor license granted for the present. The moral responsibility of upholding the liquor traffic, by the granting of license, will then be removed from our people. This is what our Christian friends demand. They do not want to vote for maintaining the liquor traffic when their conscience dictates that it is wrong. The removal of all responsibility is all that local option can accomplish. There will be just as much liquor drank as ever, and may be more. If fanatics expect to stop the sale and drinking of whiskey they must stop the manufacture. Whiskey will always be sold, and there is no law that can stop it. But the responsibility of men's selling can be removed from the shoulders of those who think it is wrong by local option. Temperance lecturers have done a great deal towards increasing the liquor traffic in this country. Instead of reasoning and entreating their fellow men to desist, they have abused them and only made things worse. Good men often become fanatical on a subject and destroy it at once. There is but one way to break up intemperance, and that is to make men believe that it is a great moral evil. There are many sincere temperance men in this county, but some of them are fanatics on the subject, and will kill local option dead (as they do everything else they go into) if they say or do much about it. If parents don't want their sons to become drunkards they must train them up to believe that it is a great evil.

POUND NETS.

The scarcity of fish in our waters is a subject that requires careful consideration. Pound nets are one of the greatest nuisances that our waters have ever been infested with. They will not only break up a run of fish, but they destroy millions of young ones. These nets have driven the White Perch (our most valuable fish) from the upper part of the Bay and Sassafras river. While we do not believe in depriving one class of men of a livelihood for the benefit of another, yet when they are working against the general interest we feel it our duty to oppose them. Pound nets must be taken up or we will have no fish. Large perch will not go where these nets are set—to any amount; young ones go and are caught, sent to the cities often, and sold for twenty cents per bushel. To have fish we must have laws to protect them. When we get Fish and Game laws, Local Option and a Poll Tax in the county we will be fixed. Dec. 18, 1777.

Letter from Piney Neck.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—Believing that you would give space in your valuable paper to a letter from this part of the world, we ask the correction of all blunders, as we are all oystermen, or rather "Splashers." Well, we are an amphibious people, as you are aware, but for the last five weeks we have been fast becoming a God worshipping people, for there is now going on in our little chapel the greatest revival that ever took place in our community. The old battlements of Satan, along with King Alcohol, are fast trembling and falling to the ground. Our little preacher, Rev. W. W. Tait, has been proclaiming a free salvation to this people, for Brother Tait, like one of his countrymen, Mr. Stubbs, has the tact for winning souls and gaining the affections of the people by associating with them at their homes and breaking bread with them at their tables. Oh! that other ministers would do the same. We predict for Brother Tait a successful career in his calling.—Our meetings are still progressing and increasing in interest. On last Sunday evening a great many had to go away for want of standing room. So far as we can learn there have been thirty-seven conversions, and the altar is crowded every night. Rev. Mr. Thompson, of the Meth. Prot. Church, preached for Brother Tait on two occasions, and gained for himself a popular name among the people.

Well, Messrs. Editors, I hope by the time our meeting is closed our neighborhood will be thoroughly converted, and we will be able to sing, "Hallelujah! 'tis done!" If the meeting continues through the winter we may have to ask you to send on your "chickens."

Dec. 19. FROM AN OLD OYSTERMAN.

WEALTH, position, choice of society and surroundings, everything beautiful and attractive in nature and art may use its influence to produce or increase happiness, yet any lady suffering with those complaints arising from the structural difference between the sexes cannot enjoy life or its pleasures while thus afflicted. Keller's Vegetable Life Drops, judiciously used, exert a soothing and efficacious influence.

PUBLIC SALES NEXT WEEK.—Wednesday, Jas. Beck (of George), near Worton Heights. Same day, Isaac Cordray, mortgagee's sale, in Quaker Neck.

Thursday—Jas. F. Wilkins, near the Trappe.

Friday—J. R. Pearce, near Grey's Inn Wharf.

Saturday—R. S. Griffith, attorney for mortgagee, will offer at the hotel of W. R. Nickerson, at Sassafras, the property of the late Dr. Clift, in that village. See advertisements.

☞ D. J. Blackiston, Esq., will sell at the Voshell House porch, at two o'clock this (Saturday) afternoon, a lot of good furniture, &c.

MARRIED:

Dec. 19th, 1877, at the M. P. Parsonage, Chestertown, by Rev. J. B. Jones, Mr. THOMAS H. WIGGINS and Miss SALLIE A. CREW, all of Kent county, Md.

At M. E. Parsonage, Millington, Dec. 19th, by Rev. W. M. Warner, Mr. WM. H. BLACKWAY and Miss HENRIETTA CARTER, both of Kent.

In Salisbury, on the 12th instant, at the M. E. Parsonage, by Rev. W. W. W. Wilson, Mr. WM. P. BRADLEY, foreman of the Salisbury Advertiser, to Miss Belle, eldest daughter of J. H. Bedell, Esq., both of that town.

In the M. P. Church at Westminster, on the 11th instant, by Rev. J. T. Ward, Rev. THOS. H. LEWIS, Assistant Pastor of St. John's Independent M. P. Church, Baltimore, and Miss MARY M. WARD, of Westminster, daughter of the officiating minister.

DIED:

In Warwick, Dec. 4th, LOUISA H. PRICE, aged about 60 years.

At his residence in Easton, Dec. 10, THOMAS EDGAR, in the 75th year of his age.

In Chestertown, Dec. 15th, suddenly, of hemorrhage, Mrs. MARTHA T., beloved wife of Wm. H. Palmer, in the 55th year of her age.

"Under the Autumn leaves,
'Neath the heaped up sod,
We've only laid the casket—
While the jewel is with God."

In Baltimore, Dec 15, JAMES ALEXANDER JURNEY, son of the late William and Elizabeth Jurney, in the 24th year of his age.

We miss his kind companionship,
Dissolved is every tie;
The grave now hides the body,
But the soul can never die.
And memory midst the sacred things
That fill the heart, reveres
The Word Divine that bids us hope
And dry our bitter tears. J. W. B.

CHRISTMAS GOODS at the Old stand.
d22-2t. J. M. VANDYKE & SONS.

ORPHANS' COURT.
The Orphans' Court adjourned from last Tuesday to January 8, 1878.
1t. WM. STEVENS, Register.

WANTED, a FARM in exchange for good new Property in Camden, N. J. Address, stating location, price, &c.
J. C. BOWERS,
2t. Hackettstown, Warren co., N. J.

NOTICE. The Annual Meeting of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent county will be held at the Court House in Chestertown on MONDAY, Jan. 7th, 1878, at 11 o'clock A. M.
N. G. WESTCOTT, Secretary.
dec22-3t.

CLUB for the 'Agriculturist.'
I AM now making up a Club for the "American Agriculturist," the best and the cheapest paper the Farmer and Household can take. Give me your name and thus secure the low club rates.
JOHN W. HINES.
dec22 3t.

Hear! Hear! Caldwell!
REV. J. H. CALDWELL will deliver his deeply interesting Lecture on Father Marquet, on Wednesday evening next, 26th, at Salem M. E Church; open at 7. Tickets 25c. Proceeds to purchase an organ for the Church. To get a seat come early. 1t*

Sabbath School Exhibition.
THE Children of Wesley Chapel Sabbath School will give an entertainment at the Church, near Edesville, on THURSDAY NIGHT, 27th inst., consisting of Music, Dialogues, Declamations, &c. Doors open at 6½—commence at 7. Admsttance 25c.
1t. J. F. LEARY, SUP'T.

TO THE PATRONS of THE "NEWS."
We need every dollar due us for Subscription, Advertising and Job-Work, and those indebted are earnestly requested to settle *before the close of the year.*

Some of our patrons are several years in arrears for subscription. We trust that a simple reminder of the fact that their neglect causes us embarrassment and is discreditable to them will have the effect to secure an *immediate* settlement.

We have done our best during the year to give satisfaction to all; we have to pay cash for everything requisite to the publication of the paper; and, without regard to our necessities, those who have received the benefit of our toil should be willing to render its just reward. "A word to the wise is sufficient,"—and we hope all our patrons will prove themselves *wise.*
PLUMMER & USILTON.
d8.

Holiday Prices
unusually low for First Class WATERS ORGANS and PIANOS. Splendid 5 oc. Organ at $65 cash; splendid 6 octave Organs, on which the most of Piano music can be performed, at $105 cash. Organs with the celebrated bells or chimes, and concerto stops, nearest imitation to the human voice, at $190 cash. Also the new style Waters favorite Organs, 5 oc. 7 stops, for $85 cash. These are all of the celebrated Waters make, and very low during the Holidays. Write for illustrated catalogues, &c. Address
WM. K. JUDEFIND, Agt.,
Edesville, Kent co., Md.
Or H. RICKEY, Chestertown. d22-3t.

Stoves! Heaters! Ranges!
BY BUYING YOUR STOVES OF
ALFRED W. QUIGG
Wilmington, Del.,
YOU CAN SAVE TWENTY PER Cent. For Cooking with wood or coal I have the Iron King, Dictator, and Dexter Cook. Princes, Frisco, Queen and Index Ranges. For Parlor self-feeders—Silver Star, Topaz, Zephyr, Coronet, Dining Room, Surface Burners, Gipsey Magnolia. For Heaters—Rival and Phoenix. In fact all the latest patterns.
Every stove guaranteed. Send for cut and prices. ALFRED W. QUIGG,
d22-4t. Wilmington, Del.

FOR RENT, For the year 1878, A DWELLING HOUSE in Bakerville, Quaker Neck.
Apply to J. H. BAKER.
Dec. 15—3t*

FOR RENT for 1878, A Comfortable HOUSE, on Water street, containing four rooms, basement Kitchen and Cellar.
d15-3t* Apply to R. HYNSON.

TO RENT, For 1878, HOUSE cor. Cannon and Cross sts., belonging to Chapman & Lambert; and a HOUSE on Bridge st., above Queen, Chestertown. Both good size and comfortable. C. T. WESTCOTT,
d8-tf. *Attorney.*

FOR RENT, For the ensuing year, The HOUSE on Cross St., formerly occupied by Mr. John Armstrong as a Restaurant. It is a good stand for any kind of business. For terms apply to
dec8-3t. SIMON WELCH.

FOR SALE. A DWELLING and LOT on Cross St., Chestertown; very desirable property. Terms easy.
Apply to C. H. BAKER, Att'y.
Nov. 24, 1877—tf.

WANTED TO HIRE for 1878, a married MAN, with a small family, to occupy tenant house, and work on the farm. Apply to B. MORRIS,
dec8-3t. Morgan's Creek.

READ SPARKS' advertisement in another column. d15.

Oyster Saloon.
MEALS at ALL HOURS
☞ Table Board by the day or week.
☞ OYSTERS in every style, at the old stand of Mr. J. Armstrong, below Bordley's Corner. ☞ Ladies' saloon private.
Mrs. DAVID A. BENJAMIN.
Dec. 22—3m*

Good News for All!
MY LAST NOTICE!
ALL Tax-Payers that have not paid, will have their property advertised for sale after the first of January. Some have paid in part—others not a cent.
☞ You that have paid had better see your friends who have not, for I will not tell any more stories for them. I have done more advertising than any other collector, and have been less earnestly heeded. JAMES BRICE,
d22-3t. Late Collector 4th Dist.

HERE WE ARE!
J. M. Vandyke & Sons
HAVE this week opened
A NEW STORE
with New Goods, in the old Canady stand, between Bordley's Corner and Wickes' Drug store, and will be pleased to have our old friends and the public generally call and see us, as we think we can please you. Our Goods are selected with care and consist of
DRY GOODS,
NOTIONS, BOOTS AND SHOES,
GROCERIES and PROVISIONS,
QUEENSWARE,
TOBACCO AND CIGARS, &c.
Also a good variety of
MEN'S CHEAP CLOTHING.
All these goods will be sold for the Cash at a small profit. Come and see.
☞ We would say to those that owe us, don't pass us by. Come and see us, we will not be hard on you. Don't spend your cash with others when you owe us.
As we have a good deal of money out for goods we must sell now for cash or its equivalent.
J. M. VANDYKE & SONS,
Adjoining Wickes' Drug Store.
Dec. 22, 1877—6m.

County Commissioners' Notice.
THE COLLECTORS OF TAXES
For the Several Election Districts
OF KENT COUNTY are hereby respectfully notifion that the Board of County Commissioners will meet at their office
ON TUESDAY,
The EIGHTH day of JANUARY, 1878,
and that unless all arrearages of levies to meet Rail Road Bonds and interest (prior to the levy of 1876,) are settled on that day legal process will be instituted at the next (January) Term of the Circuit Court, to enforce payment thereof.
By order of Board of Commissisners.
T. W. RUSSELL, CLERK.
Dec. 22, 1877—3t.

RATIFICATION NOTICE.
S. A. CAMP use of WM. M. SLAY,
versus
GEORGE CHATHAM.
Judgment before S. C. Brannock, magistrate for $35 debt, with interest from date till paid and costs.
THE subscriber having purchased the Real estate of the above named defendant at a sale thereof in virtue of an execution issued upon the foregoing judgment, made on the first day of August, 1877, by Joshua Meekins, Constable, hereby gives notice that he intends to apply to the judges of the Circuit Court for Kent county at the next session to be held in Chestertown on the 14th of January next, for a confirmation of said sale, when and where the said defendant or his creditors or any other persons claiming any interest in the matter will have an opportunity of stating their objections if any they have, why the sale should not be confirmed, and for that purpose are hereby warned to appear.
The property purchased by the subscriber consists of a one-story house and lot of ground in Broad Neck, adjoining the Blackway lands, and was struck off at the sale thereof for the sum of $44 cash.
WM. J. VANNORT.
Dec. 22, 1877—4t.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Kent county letters testamentary on the personal estate in Kent county, Maryland, of
THOMAS J. BUTLER, col'd,
late of Kent county, dec'd.
All persons having claims against the said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with proper vouchers, to the undersigned, on or before the 20th of July, 1878, or they may by law be excluded from all benefit in said estate.
Given under my hand this 18th day of December, 1877.
JAMES H. BAKER,
Dec. 22, 1877—4t. Executor.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.
ESTATE OF FREDUS VANSANT.
On application ordered, that Joshua Vansant & Wm. Vansant, administrators of Fredus Vansant, late of Kent county, deceased, give notice by advertisement, that a dividend on the personal estate of said deceased will be made in this Court on TUESDAY, January 15, 1878.
Test: WM. STEVENS,
Register of Wills.
NOTICE.—Creditors of Fredus Vansant are hereby notified and requested to file their claims, properly authenticated, with the Register of Wills, on or before Tuesday, the 7th of January, 1878, or they will be excluded from the dividend in the personal estate.
JOSHUA VANSANT,
WILLIAM VANSANT,
Dec. 22. 1877—4t. Adm'rs.

FAIR! FAIR!
THE Catholics of Chestertown and vicinity will hold a
Fair in the Chestertown Hall
opening Dec. 26, and closing New Year's night. Among the many valuable, handsome and desirable articles to be disposed of, at chances are:
A TON OF PHOSPHATE at 50c,
SET OF SINGLE HARNESS,
SEWING MACHINE,
Gold Cross, two sets of Dishes, Parlor Stove, Gold Watch, pair of Blankets, Buffalo Robe, each at 25c. per chance, besides many other articles.
The Catholics return their thanks to the public for the liberal patronage hitherto bestowed, and hope for a continuation of the same generosity at this Fair, as they have decided to build a Church in the Spring. d15-2t.

Raffle at Kennedyville
CHRISTMAS EVE!
A FINE LIGHT CARRIAGE and GOLD WATCH and Chain, will be raffled off at Pennington's Hotel in Kennedyville, on Christmas Eve. The highest takes the Carriage and the lowest the Watch and Chain. $1.50 per chance. 2t*
LOST, on the night of the 16th ult., between Dr. Worrel's gate and Worton Station, a SADDLE. A suitable reward will be paid by returning it to
dec8-3t* F. P. HYNSON.

PUBLIC VENDUE.
THE subscriber, under a written Power of Attorney and agreement from Mr. Thomas C. Lynch and Mary E. Lynch, his wife, will expose to public sale at the hotel of Mr. Wm. H. Pennington, in Galena, Kent county, on
SATURDAY, January 5, 1878,
The following Property:
2 Head of Horses
2 FARM WAGONS in fair condition;
1 Peach Wagon Body, nearly new;
ONE DEARBORN, for Mill purposes;
3 Plows, 1 Harrow, 3 Cultivators.
Sale to commence at 10 o'clock A. M.
THE TERMS OF SALE are a credit of 9 months on note with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale.
THOMAS A. JACOBS,
dec22-ts. Near Sassafras.

FOR SALE—on 12 Months Credit,
4 SUPERIOR MILCH COWS,
3 YOUNG MARES, for farm or road,
69 HEAD OF SHEEP.
Also, 6 stacks Timothy HAY, cash.
WM. J. VANNORT,
dtc22-tf. Broad Neck, Md.

PUBLIC SALE
OF
A SCHOONER
AT CREW'S GRANARY,
On Still Pond Creek Whf.
BY virtue of competent authority from the owner, Capt. Edwin M. Taylor, the undersigned will offer at Public Sale at Crew's Granary, at the head of Still Pond Creek,
ON WEDNESDAY,
THE SECOND day of JANUARY, 1878
At Twelve o'clock M.,
The Scow-built SCHOONER "A. & M. ELLA,"
NOW LYING AT SAID GRANARY.
This vessel is in good order and fully furnished. She has a carrying capacity of 40 tons, or 1400 bushels of grain, and draws four feet of water loaded.
TERMS OF SALE:
$300 cash, and the balance in two equal instalments, in six and twelve months, from day of sale, to be secured by note of the purchaser with approved security.
HENRY T. JUMP,
Dec. 22—ts. Attorney for Owner.

Christmas! Christmas!
A MERRY GREETING TO ALL!
C. F. STAM
Begs an examination of his CHRISTMAS PRESENTS, suitable for Old and Young.
FANCY ARTICLES.
BOHEMIA VASES,
TOILET SETS, beautifully decorated with Gold and Silver Flowers.
Boquet Holders, Card Receivers, Cigar Cases, Japanese Work Boxes, Writing Desks, Cuba's Ladies' Companions, Satchels, Pocket Books, Albums and Gold Pens and Pencils,
the finest display ever saw in Chestertown.
Books! Books! Books!
The Gems of ENGLISH and AMERICAN LITERATURE.
Scott, Bulwer Dickens, Moore, Byron, Bobby Burns, Tennyson, Longfellow and the venerable but majestic Bryant.
Juvenile Books,
Chatterbox, Wide Awake, Peep Show, Little Boy Blue, Robinson Crusoe, Arabian Nights, Santa Claus, Camptown Races, Mulligan Guards, and Mother Goose's Rhymes and Chimes and Jingles.
RELIGIOUS.
Hymnals, Prayer Books, Bibles, Methodist Hymn Books, Gospel Hymns, Moody and Sankey, Changed Cross and Shadow of the Rock.
GAMES! GAMES!
Parcheesi, Checkers, Chess, Picture Puzzles, Acrobat Shows, Ambuscade, Toy Soldiers, and others too numerous to mention.
STATIONERY! STATIONERY!
The Largest and most Complete Stock in Town, embracing all the novelties of the season.
Foolscap, Letter and Note Papers, by the Quire and Ream.
Envelopes, by the Pack and Thousand.
A Full Assortment of Choice
PERFUMERIES.
Lubin Extracts, French, German, English and American Cologne Waters. Also, Soap, Tooth Brushes, Hair and Cloth Brushes and Combs.
Cigars! Cigars!
I would call the attention of the Gentlemen to my Stock of Cigars, which is composed of the FINEST BRANDS, both Foreign and Domestic.
☞ *An examination of our Stock will well repay you.*
COLIN F. STAM,
CHESTERTOWN.
Dec. 22, 1877.

REMOVED.
Main St., opp. Kent Nat'l Bank.
FOR SALE:
Cranberries, Apples, Sweet Cider, Hominy, Buckwheat, Beans, Oats, Corn, Potatoes, Powder and Shot.
d15-tf. ALONZO MING.
LOOK at our Ladies' and Misses' *Hand-made* Button Shoes.
d15. J. H. SIMPERS & BRO.
MEN and BOYS' BOOTS, and Men's, Boys', Ladies', Misses' and Children's Shoes, at *Thompson's*, Up Town.
A NICE lot of Cranberries for sale at SHAW'S.
S. MERRITT & CO. are *Selling Off* at very low prices for the cash.
YOU can buy nice Brown SUGAR at 10c. per lb. at *Thompson's*, up town.

Mortgagee's Sale
THE undersigned, as Mortgagee, will offer at Public Sale, on
Wednesday, the 26th December, 1877,
on the farm of Mr. G. B. Westcott, near the Quaker Neck Wharf, now occupied by W. T. Edwards as tenant, the following Personal Property:
5 HEAD of HORSES,
One a young and safe Carriage Horse and Two Fine Young Mares.
THIRTEEN HEAD OF CATTLE,
A Yoke of Steers, young and well broken, and SIX MILCH COWS.
A lot of SHOATS.
1 four-wheel Carriage and Harness; one Sleigh, a lot of Farming Utensils, an Ox-Cart, 1 Dearborn and Harness, and lot of Pork.
☞ The sale will be opened at 10 o'clock A. M., and the following will be the terms: All sums of Ten dollars and less cash; all over, note at nine months with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale, will be required.
ISAAC CORDRAY.
J. W. CARROLL, Auct'r.
N. B.—At the same time and place will be offered at Public sale
FIFTEEN HEAD OF SHEEP.
Dec. 22—1t.

PUBLIC SALE.
THE undersigned, intending to discontinue farming, will offer at Public sale at his residence near GALENA, on the farm of Mr. B. R. Cochran, known as Grey's Neck, on
TUESDAY, Jan. 8th, 1878,
The following Property:
16 HEAD OF Horses, Colts, and Mules,
No. 1, roan mare, Roany, 3 years old, gentle to work and drive;
" 2, bay horse, Rattler, 4 years old, No. 1 driver and worker;
" 3, grey horse, Bob, 8 years old, good farm horse;
" 4, brown mare, Dolly, 7 yrs. old, in foal, good worker and driver;
" 5, bay mare, Belle, 7 years old, in foal, good driver;
" 6, bay mare, Lucy, 10 yrs. old, in foal, good driver and worker;
" 7, brown mare, Flora, 10 yrs. old, No. 1 driver and worker;
" 8, brown mare, Fanny, 12 " fine worker
" 9, brown horse